

**BIG SAND WASH DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM
ANNUAL MEETING**

March 5, 1996

PRESENT: Associated Water Users and Moon Lake Water Users: Randy Crozier, and Keith Mortensen, Lynn Burton, Don Winterton; Associated Water Users: Reed Stanley, Doug Swaysey Willard O. Wall: Water Commissioner: Bill Christensen; Secretary: Carolyn Winterton; Utah Division of Water Rights: Gertrudys Adkins, John L. Larsen, Brad Weber and Ralph Johnson; Moon Lake Water Users: Lynn Winterton, Manager; Bureau of Indian Affairs: Lynn Hansen and Kornel Murdock.

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 1:00 p.m. by President, Keith Mortensen.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the Big Sandwash Distribution System Annual Meeting held March 14, 1995 were read by the secretary, Carolyn Winterton. Randy Crozier moved that the minutes be approved. Lynn Burton seconded the motion. All voted aye.

The remainder of the meeting was turned to John Larsen from the Division of Water Rights.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT:

Mr. Christensen reported that since the Sandwash system is fed by springs and runoffs, there was not a lot of water in the early spring. But by late spring, everyone had been able to use all they wanted.

Mr. Hartman's head gates are still installed backward and he needs to get those corrected. Mr. Christensen also wondered if anything had ever been done about Mr. Stevenson's pond. He suggested that a letter be sent to Mr. Stevenson reminding him that they are to be used for fish culture and no water is to be stored or used from them for irrigation purposes. Mr. Christensen asked that a copy of that letter be sent to him.

Don Winterton moved that the report be accepted. Keith Mortensen seconded the motion and motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER:

Lynn Burton moved that the Bill Christensen be appointed commissioner of the Sandwash Distribution System. Randy Crozier seconded the motion. All voted aye.

BLOOD DRAW GROUND WATER FILING:

Mr. Mortensen reported that Moon Lake Water Users is protesting a ground water filing by Bruce Hartman. This type of filing is not advertised. Mr. Hartman claims that it was developed before the 1935 change in filing procedures, but after viewing aerial photo's from the early 1930's, Moon Lake does not feel that any development had taken place. No water will be diverted on this claim until the Vernal office approves it.

SNOW PACK:

A review of the Snowtel report indicated that the Lakefork side is above average, but the Uintah drainage area is very low.

ADJOURNMENT:

Lynn Burton moved that the meeting be adjourned. Don Winterton seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.